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Directive from the President desires [illegible] a military briefing

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The President wants to be briefed on military contingency planning with relation to Southeast Asia under the following headings:

a. Status of SEATO Plan Five and the results of the Felt-Luca discussions.

b. Possible courses of action to apply military pressure against North Vietnam in case of a breach of the cease-fire or continued large-scale infiltration of military and para-military forces into Laos.

c. Possibility of cooperative action by Laos, Thailand and Vietnam to control the Laotian panhandle with minimum U.S. support.

Would you inform me when a briefing could be ready on any or all of these topics?

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